

MR. BETTY'S STATEMENT

Aspirant for Seat on Jefferson County Bench Submits a Paper to the Public at Large

To the Citizens of Jefferson County:
I have given to you in former letters a history of the method pursued by Judge Wheat in selling \$250,000 of Jefferson County Road Bonds, and how Jefferson County lost by those transactions over Twenty-five thousand dollars, either by reason of favoritism extended to Mr. Myrick Shock, or by reason of want of diligence in disposing of the bonds. In my first letter I promised to advise the voters and taxpayers of this County where and how this money has been spent and what Jefferson county has to show for such expenditures. That shall be the purpose of this letter.

The two hundred and fifty thousand dollars received from the sale of said bonds has been spent by Commissioners' Court in the last two years, with the exception of about \$5,000 which stands to the credit of Road Precinct No. 3.

The Road and Bridge Fund of the County is now in debt over fifty thousand dollars. In other words, it will take nearly one-half of the proceeds from the sale of the \$125,000 Road Bonds ordered to be issued by the Commissioners' Court on the 10th day of August, 1904, to pay said indebtedness; and as I stated before, it will be impossible to issue more bonds for road purposes based on our present property valuations, without violating Art. 8, Section 9, of the State Constitution.

For the next twenty years at least we and our children will have to pay this bonded indebtedness of three hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, with five and six per cent interest thereon.

The report of this is herewith submitted:

Civil Engineer's Report on Shell Purchased from Myrick Bros., for the following County Roads.

Name of road—	Length, feet	No. of yrs.	Depth, inches	Width, feet	No. of yrs. to pay off added	Price per cent added	Price per yd.	Total amount.
Extension of College ave. and on Liberty County road	16,460.12	8.3,981.5	3,397.7	22 15	25	\$7,626.83		
Franklin St. and Taylor's Bayou Rd.	2,872.12	9						
Franklin St. and Taylor's Bayou Rd.	4,265.12	6.3,915.0	2,106.5	2 15	4,522.98			
Road to Security Oil Co's Refinery	4,964.16	6	923.9	1,015.3	2 15	2,182.90		
On Port Arthur road out of Beaumont	4,400.15	6.1,222.2	1,344.4	2 25	3,924.90			
Spindletop road to oil fields	8,169.15	8						
Spindletop road to oil fields	6,175.12	6.4,150.0	4,565.0	2 25	10,271.25			
Road from Spindletop road to Driv- ing Park	1,268.15	8	470.	517.6	2 25	1,163.25		
Taylor's Bayou road beyond from Bridge	3,900.16	6	722.2	794.4	3 35	2,651.24		
Seventh St. road between Port Ar- thur and Gulf Refinery	11,346.12	8.3,336.0	3,696.0	2 35	8,685.60			
Park St., two blocks on Austin St. and one on Pearl St.	4,153.15	8.1,538.2	1,538.2	2 25	3,469.95			
Total, 60,990 feet, or 11.52 miles.						Total amount, \$43,665.90.		

State of Texas,)
County of Jefferson,)
Perry F. Hyatt, Civil Engineer, be-
ing duly sworn, upon oath deposes and
states that he has surveyed the length
and width of the shell on the afore-
mentioned roads; that the figures as to the
length and width of the shell on said
roads are correct; that he made a
number of tests of the depth of the
shell on each of said roads, making
due allowance for the packing of the
shell, and that the aforesaid stated
depths in inches for the shell on each
of said roads represent much larger
depth than the average depth of shell
originally placed upon each of said
roads.

PERRY F. HYATT,
Subscribed and sworn to before me
on this the 8th day of October, A. D.
1904. JOHN BROUGHTON,
Notary Public in and for Jefferson
County, State of Texas.
(Official Seal)

It will be noticed that said survey
gives length, width and the estimated
depth of shell at the time the same
was placed upon said roads, and the
number of yards of shell on said road.

You will see by the engineer's sworn
statement that the depths allowed are
far above the average depth of said
shell, making a full allowance for the
packing of the same. Having the
length, breadth and thickness, he com-
putes the number of cubic yards
shown in his said report. To the number
of yards he adds 10 per cent to cover
irregularities in the leveling of the
shell on the road. This measurement
gives the total length in miles of shell
placed upon the road by Myrick Bros.
to be eleven and one-half miles.

I determined the roads shell by
Myrick Bros. by the bills presented to
the Commissioners' Court for payment.
On the commissioners' minutes I found
the price per yard paid Myrick Bros.
for the shell. You will find the price
paid for shell for each road, and a
computation of the amount of shell
should cost according to the engineer's
report. You will find the same to be
\$4,665.90, an average cost of \$2,381.50
per mile for the shell.

An examination of the "Minutes of
Accounts Allowed" of the Commissioners'
Court shows the amount of money
paid to Myrick Bros. for shell. The
records show that this money was
paid for shell delivered upon the above
said roads. These county warrants
showing the date, to whom paid, their
number and the amount of each was
as follows:

Statement of County Warrants Given to
Myrick Bros. by Jefferson County for
Shell Used on County Roads.

May 15, 1902, to Myrick
Bros. warrant No. 8020, \$1,000.00

May 15, 1902, to Myrick
Bros. warrant No. 8276, \$100.00

May 15, 1902, to Myrick
Bros. warrant No. 8282, \$100.00

May 15, 1902, to Myrick
Bros. warrant No. 8288, \$100.00

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Bros. warrant No. 8300, \$100.00

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